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Public Meeting Regional Service Council Region 10 September 18, 2015

## **Council Members in Attendance**

P. Surbey, Chair, DCS Region 10 Regional Manager; A. Johnson, DCS Deputy Director; J. Davis, CPT/Religious Community; K. Peterson, C. Couch, Regional Services Coordinator; S. Cramer, Regional Services Coordinator; C. Myles, DCS Supervisor-Proxy for Amy Foxworthy, DCS Supervisor; D. Reynolds, DCS Supervisor-Proxy for K. Reid; G. Ellis, Child Advocates; K. Hamang, DCS Legal; C. Ball, Juvenile Probation; M. Schadler, DCS Supervisor; J. Klein, Children's Bureau/Manager of Prevention Funds; B. Ping, Juvenile Probation; Jesse Fisher, DCS Supervisor-Proxy for Maribryan McGeney

## **Visitors**

K. Dixon, Asante; I McAfee-Day, Brightwood.; S. Payne-Miller, Reach for Youth; L. Wisnesko, Transitions; J. Ensinger, Columbus Beh Center; K. Malapote, SW Indiana Regional Youth Village; D. Wade, A. Wood, and L. Peck, Families Connected; T. Garcia, SECS; A. Reuter and J. Stewart, Adult and Child; C. Hines, Inner Beauty; K. Tillman, Choices; S. Noel, Whites; L. Faulkenberg, Kids Voice; B. Bowling, DCS Region 15; T. Eggleston, DCS Region 14; B. Cleaves, Miracle Works; E. Davis, Connections; S. Hawks, Youth Villages; M. Gwaltney, Families First; A. NBridge, Social Health Association; G. Hurd, CHN/LCFS; S. Beverly, Coburn Place; A. Johnson, Children's Bureau

## Introduction of Members/Housekeeping

A quorum of members introduced themselves. June 19, 2015 minutes were read and approved. Minutes will be posted to the DCS website within 10days.

Background checks was the end of August. Some agencies have not submitted their checks yet. Asante Children's Theatre, Boys to Men, Brightwood Community Center, Jameson Camp and New Directions (which both are under discussion), Kids Voice and McCoy let the deadline pass for these checks. Council voted to see if these agencies will still be given funds. Some of the agencies were in attendance and were given until the next RSC meeting to complete the background checks by October 16<sup>th</sup>. Use what You Got Ministries (\$21,900) is the only agency that has not had any communication at all after many reminders.

# **Prevention Requests/Presentations**

There were two proposals tabled from the last meeting.

Jeff Newman from Indiana Fatherhood Coalition had previously requested \$35,000 for the All Pro Dad's Program and Dad's Expo. He was present and gave a short presentation on the program. Motion was made to approve \$35,000 for IFC.

Julie Stewart from Adult and Child had previously requested \$40,000 for youth development groups for approximately 35 youth and 13-15 parents to promote healthy sexual relationships and increase life skills for ages 12-15 years. Amanda Reuter gave a presentation on what exactly the funds would be used for.

If both proposals are approved there would be a total of \$36,000 in reserve.

After much discussion a motion was made to approve both proposals. The motion passed and carried for IFC's request of \$35,000. The motion passed and carried for Adult and Child's request of \$40,000 with the exception of G. Ellis opposing the motion.

P. Surbey shared information about QSR and talked about the upcoming Biennial Plan. The public meeting for testimony will be on November 20 directly after the RSC meeting. Speakers will be given 3 minutes a piece.

C. Couch briefly spoke about 4 areas that are going to be focused on in the Biennial Plan. Prevention Services, decreasing maltreatment after DCS involvement, increasing permanency for youth in system for more than 24 months and longer, and substance abuse. Biennial Plan will be voted on by the Council at the RSC on January 15, 2016.

# 2016/2017 Budget

Budget is still not approved yet.

# Other Updates/Business

None

#### Public announcements/Comments

Asante Theatre will be having a fundraiser Legacy Cabaret-Jitterbug Review. Thursday September 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 pm.

Innerbeauty will be having a parent empowerment program on Saturday October 10, at 9:30 am until 3:00 pm at Met High School.

MCCOY workshop for Prevention Providers is mandatory Tuesday October 20<sup>th</sup> from 9-11 am Race Equity coming up next Monday.

November 5 and 6 will be Undoing Racism.

#### Adjournment

A motion was made to end the meeting. Motion was carried and passed.